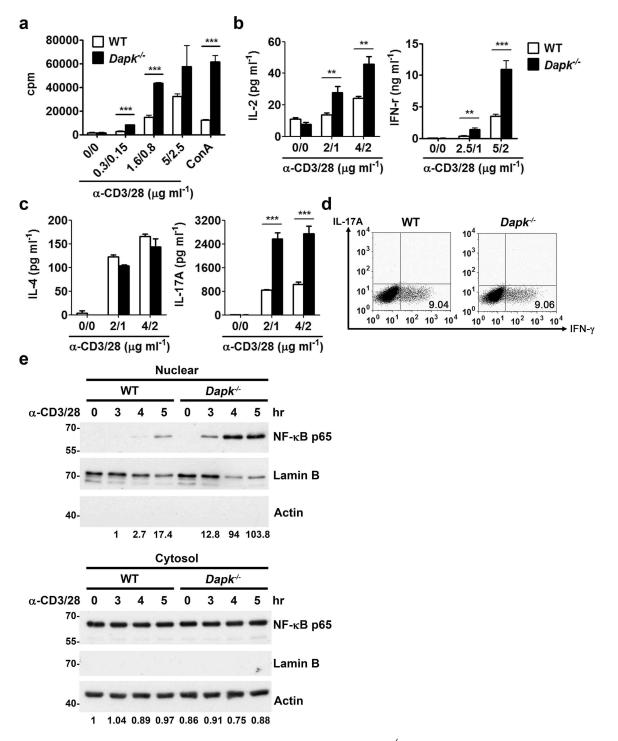
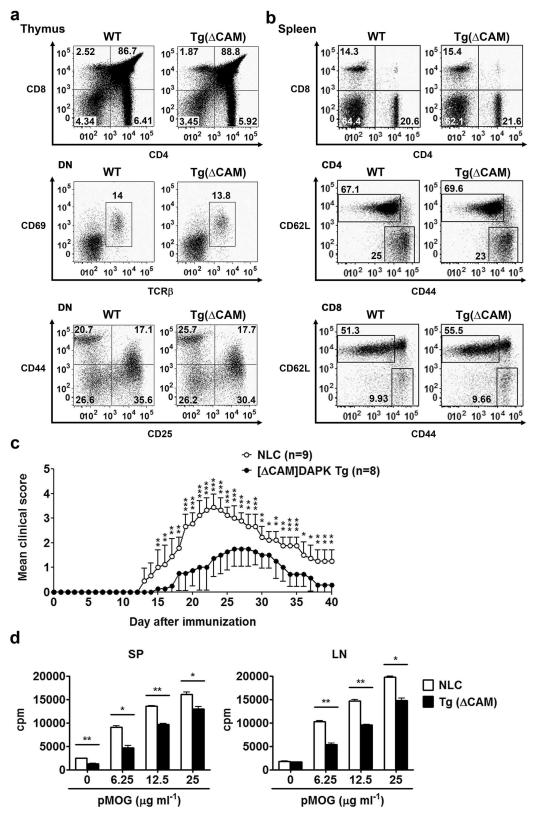


Supplementary Figure 1. Normal T lymphocyte populations in *Dapk*<sup>-/-</sup> mice. (a) Normal thymic development in *Dapk*<sup>-/-</sup> mice. Thymocytes from WT and *Dapk*<sup>-/-</sup> mice were stained for expression of CD4 and CD8. Numbers indicate percentages of each fraction. Lower panels: the CD4<sup>-</sup>CD8<sup>-</sup> double negative (DN) thymocytes were gated and analyzed for the expression of CD69, TCRβ, CD25 and CD44. (b) Normal peripheral T cell population in *Dapk*<sup>-/-</sup> mice. The frequencies of splenic CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells from WT and *Dapk*<sup>-/-</sup> mice, and the fractions of naïve (CD44<sup>-</sup>CD62L<sup>+</sup>) and memory T cells from WT and *Dapk*<sup>-/-</sup> CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells were determined by flow cytometry. Data are representative of three mice.



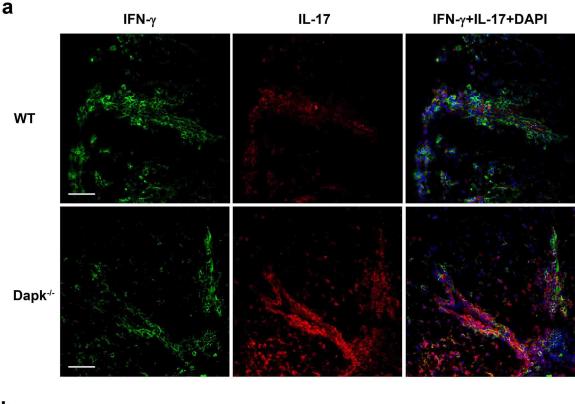
**Supplementary Figure 2. Enhanced activation in** *Dapk*<sup>-/-</sup> **T cells. (a)** Increased proliferation in *Dapk*<sup>-/-</sup> T cells. Purified WT and *Dapk*<sup>-/-</sup> splenic T cells were stimulated with plate-bound anti-CD3 (5 μg ml<sup>-1</sup>) and anti-CD28 (2.5 μg ml<sup>-1</sup>) for 60 hr, and proliferation was determined by incorporation of [<sup>3</sup>H]thymidine. (**b, c**) Increased selective cytokine production in *Dapk*<sup>-/-</sup> T cells. Total splenic T cells from WT and *Dapk*<sup>-/-</sup> mice were stimulated with anti-CD3/CD28, and the secreted IL-2 and IFN-γ were determined at 24 hr and 48 hr, respectively (b). Activated T cells were treated with IL-2

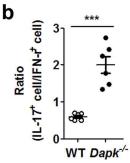
for 2 days, followed by CD3/CD28 restimulation for 48 hr, and the production of IL-4 and IL-17 quantitated (c). Values (a-c) are mean  $\pm$  s.d., n=3. \*\*P < 0.01, \*\*\*P < 0.001 for unpaired t-test (a-c). (d) Normal IFN-γ production in restimulated  $Dapk^{-/-}$  T cells. Activated T cells were treated with IL-2 for 3 days, followed by TPA/A23187 restimulation, and the expression of IFN-γ analyzed by intracellular staining and flow cytometry. (e) Enhanced NF-κB activation in  $Dapk^{-/-}$  T cells. T cells from WT and  $Dapk^{-/-}$  mice were stimulated with anti-CD3/CD28, and the cytosolic and nuclear extracts were collected at the indicated time points. The cytosolic and nuclear contents of NF-κB p65 were analyzed by Western blot. Lamin B and actin was used as markers for the nucleus and cytoplasm, respectively. For quantitation, p65 levels were normalized against lamin B or actin. The normalized nuclear p65 level in WT T cells 3 h after activation is set at 1, while normalized cytosolic p65 content in resting WT T cells is set at 1. Data (a-e) are representative of three independent experiments.



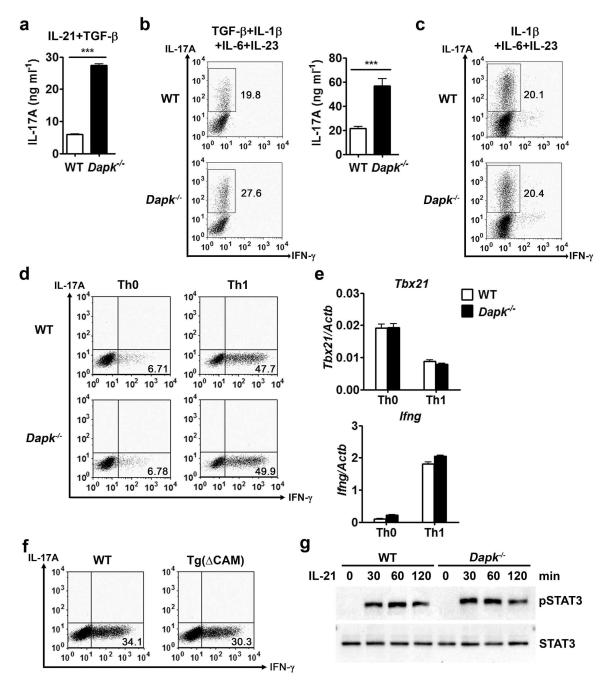
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[\Delta CAM]DAPK-transgenic mice were stained for expression of CD4 and CD8. Numbers indicate percentages of each fraction. Lower panels: the CD4<sup>-</sup>CD8<sup>-</sup> double negative (DN) thymocytes were gated and analyzed for the expression of CD69, TCRβ, CD25 and CD44. (b) Normal peripheral T cell population in [ΔCAM]DAPK-transgenic mice. The frequency of splenic CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells from WT and [ΔCAM]DAPK-transgenic mice, and the fraction of naïve (CD44 CD62L<sup>+</sup>) and memory T cells from WT and [\Delta CAM]DAPK-transgenic CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells were determined by flow cytometry. Data (a, b) are representative of three mice. (c) T cell-specific [ΔCAM]DAPK suppressed EAE. [ΔCAM]DAPK-transgenic and normal littermate control (NLC) mice were immunized with 400 µg MOG (33-55), and the disease progression of EAE was measured. Values are mean  $\pm$  s.d. \*P < 0.05, \*\*P < 0.01, \*\*\*P < 0.001 for unpaired ttest. (d) Reduced response to MOG (33-55) in [ΔCAM]DAPK-transgenic T cells. Splenic (SP) and lymph node (LN) CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells were isolated from [ΔCAM]DAPKtransgenic and NLC mice 25 days after immunization. Cells were stimulated with irradiated autologous presenting cells and MOG peptide, and T cell proliferation was determined 72 h later by incorporation of  ${}^{3}H$ -thymidine. Values are mean  $\pm$  s.d., n=3. \*P < 0.05, \*\*P < 0.01 for unpaired t-test. Data are representative of three independent experiments.



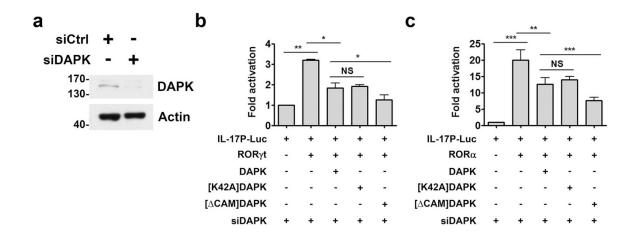


Supplementary Figure 4. Increased IL-17-expressing mononuclear cells in spinal cords from  $Dapk^{-/-}$  mice sensitized for EAE generation. (a) Staining of the infiltrated IFN- $\gamma^+$  cells and IL-17<sup>+</sup> cells from spinal cords of mice at peak encephalomyelitis. Spinal cords from WT and  $Dapk^{-/-}$  mice were isolated 18 days and 15 days after MOG immunization, respectively. Spinal cords were fixed and frozen sections obtained. Tissue sections were stained with anti-IFN- $\gamma$  (green), anti-IL-17 (red), and DAPI, and analyzed by confocal microscopy. Scale bar, 50  $\mu$ m. (b) Quantitation of results from (a). The ratio of IL-17<sup>+</sup> cells to IFN- $\gamma^+$  cells in spinal cord were calculated based on six measurements obtained from three pairs of WT and  $Dapk^{-/-}$  mice induced with EAE. Values are mean  $\pm$  s.e.m. \*\*\*P < 0.001 for unpaired t-test.

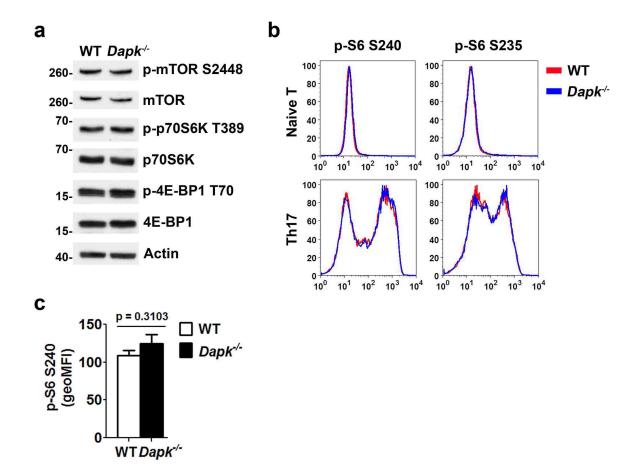


**Supplementary Figure 5. Increased Th17 generation and normal Th1 differentiation** in *Dapk*<sup>-/-</sup> **T cells.** (a) Enhanced IL-17 secretion by Dapk<sup>-/-</sup> Th17 cells induced with IL-21 and TGF-β. Th17 cells were generated by incubation of naïve T cells with IL-21 and TGF-β for 5 days. The production of IL-17 by WT and Dapk<sup>-/-</sup> Th17 cells after restimulation with TPA/A23187 was measured by ELISA. Values are mean  $\pm$  s.d., n=3. \*\*\*P < 0.001 for unpaired t-test. (b) Increased IL-17 expression by Dapk<sup>-/-</sup> Th17 cells differentiated with TGF-β, IL-1β, IL-6 and IL-23. WT and Dapk<sup>-/-</sup> naïve CD4 T cells were differentiated into Th17 cells for 3 days in the presence of TGF-β (2 ng ml<sup>-1</sup>), IL-1β (50 pg ml<sup>-1</sup>), IL-6 (1 ng ml<sup>-1</sup>), and IL-23 (1 ng ml<sup>-1</sup>), and the expression of IL-17 determined by intracellular staining (left panel) and ELISA (right panel). Values are

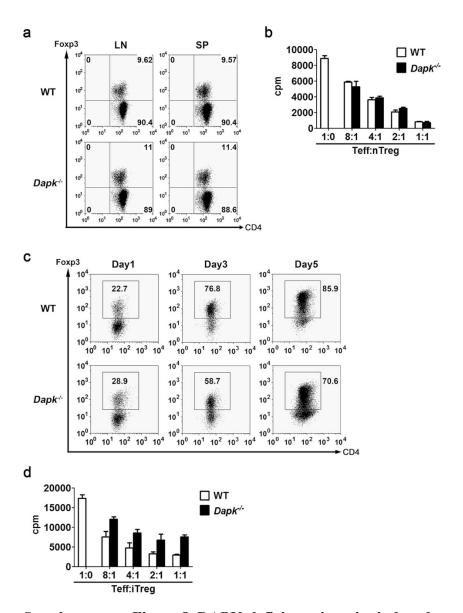
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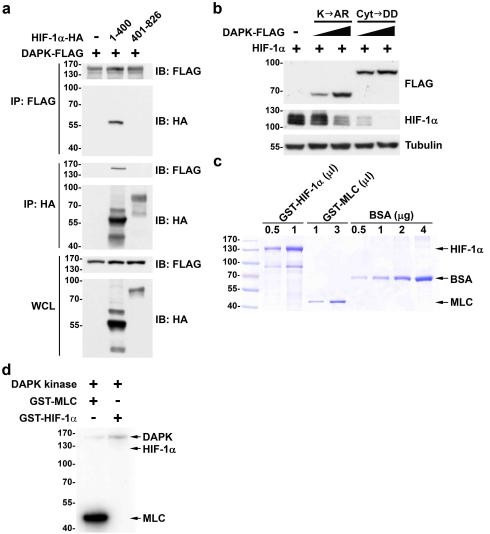
Supplementary Figure 6. DAPK also inhibits the capacity of ROR $\gamma$ t and ROR $\alpha$  to activate the IL-17 promoter. (a) Knockdown of DAPK in 293T cells. 293T cells were transfected with siRNA or DAPK-specific siRNA, and the levels of DAPK determined 48 h later. (b, c) DAPK affects ROR $\gamma$ t- and ROR $\alpha$ -directed IL-17 promoter activation. 293T cells were transfected with DAPK-specific siRNA. Then, 24 h later, IL-17P-Luc, DAPK, [K42A]DAPK, [ $\Delta$ CAM]DAPK, ROR $\gamma$ t (b), or ROR $\alpha$  (c) was transfected into DAPK-knockdown 293T cells as indicated. Luciferase activities were determined after another 24 h. Values (b, c) are mean  $\pm$  s.d., n=3. \*P<0.05, \*\*P<0.01, \*\*\*P<0.001 for unpaired t-test. Data (a-c) are representative of three independent experiments.



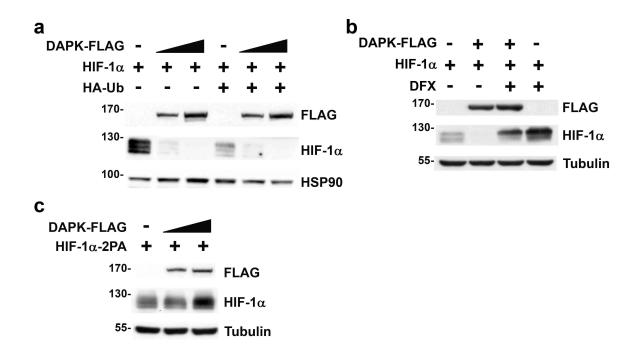
Supplementary Figure 7. DAPK-deficiency does not affect mTOR signaling. (a) Normal mTORC1 signaling in  $Dapk^{-/-}$  T cells. Naïve T cells from WT and  $Dapk^{-/-}$  mice were differentiated under Th17 conditions for 24 hr. Cell lysates were prepared and phospho-mTOR (Ser2448), phospho-p70S6K (Thr389), phospho-4E-BP1 (Thr70), mTOR, p70S6K, and 4E-BP1 levels were examined by Western blot. (b, c) Normal ribosome S6 phosphorylation in  $Dapk^{-/-}$  T cells. The phosphorylation of ribosome S6 at S235/236 and S240/244 was determined by flow cytometry in WT and  $Dapk^{-/-}$  T cells one day after differentiation into Th17 cells (b). The geoMFI of three independent experiments is calculated (c).



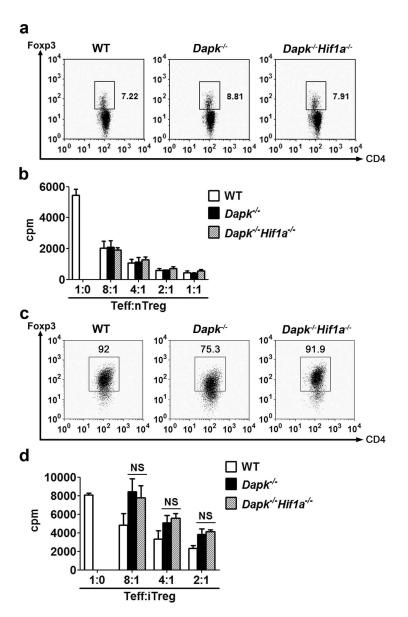
**Supplementary Figure 8. DAPK-deficiency impairs induced regulatory T cell function.** (a) Normal nTreg population in  $Dapk^{-/-}$  mice. Lymph node and splenic T cells were isolated from WT and  $Dapk^{-/-}$  mice, and the CD4<sup>+</sup>Foxp3<sup>+</sup> population determined by flow cytometry. (b) Normal *in vitro* suppressive activity of  $Dapk^{-/-}$  nTregs. WT and  $Dapk^{-/-}$  nTreg (CD4<sup>+</sup>CD25<sup>+</sup>) cells were isolated and co-cultured with γ-irradiated autologous presenting cells and indicated amounts of WT effector T cells (Teff, CD4<sup>+</sup>CD25<sup>-</sup>) plus soluble anti-CD3 for 72 hr. Proliferation was determined by incorporation of <sup>3</sup>H-thymidine. Mean ± s.d., n=4. (c) Attenuated iTreg differentiation from  $Dapk^{-/-}$  T cells. Purified CD4<sup>+</sup>CD25<sup>-</sup> T cells were stimulated with plate-bound anti-CD3 (5 μg ml<sup>-1</sup>) and anti-CD28 (1 μg ml<sup>-1</sup>) in the presence of TGF-β (5 ng ml<sup>-1</sup>) and IL-2 (20 ng ml<sup>-1</sup>) for 1-5 days. The expression of Foxp3 was determined at 1, 3 and 5 days after treatment. (d) Impaired suppressive activity of  $Dapk^{-/-}$  iTreg cells. The *in vitro* suppression activity of iTregs at day 5 (c) was analyzed. Mean ± s.d., n=3. Data are representative of three (a, b) and two (c, d) independent experiments.



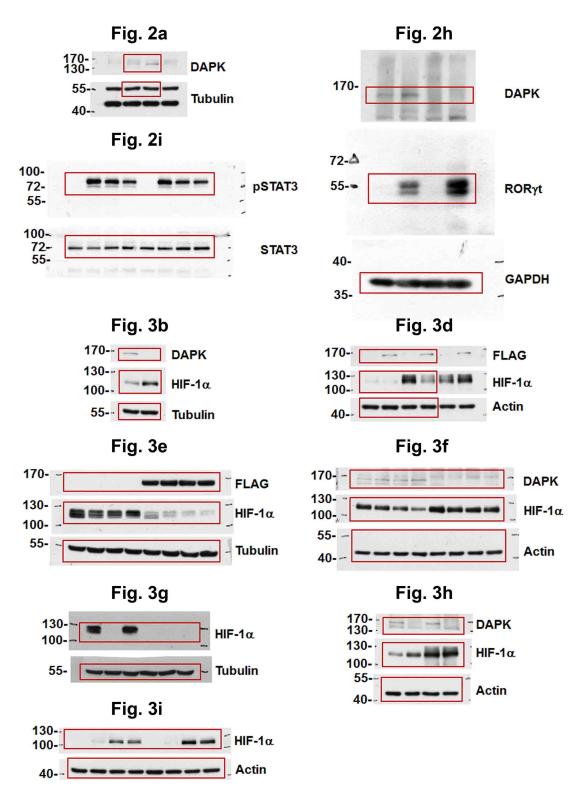
Supplementary Figure 9. DAPK interacts with HIF-1α but the kinase domain of DAPK is not essential for HIF-1α down-regulation. (a) DAPK binds the N-terminus of HIF-1α. HEK293T cells were transfected with DAPK-FLAG and the N-terminus (amino acids 1-400) or C-terminus (amino acids 401-826) of HIF-1α-HA. Cell lysates were immunoprecipitated with anti-FLAG (top) or anti-HA (bottom), and the contents of HIF-1α and DAPK were examined by Western blot. (b) DAPK fragment containing the kinase domain was ineffective in inducing HIF-1α downregulation. HEK293T cells were transfected with HIF-1α and the FLAG-tagged N-terminal (kinase to ankyrin repeats,  $K \rightarrow AR$ ) or C-terminal (Cytoskeleton to death domain, Cyt $\rightarrow$ DD) of DAPK. Forty-eight hr after transfection, the expression of HIF-1 $\alpha$  was determined by immunoblots. (c) Expression of recombinant HIF-1α. Recombinant GST-HIF-1α and GST-MLC was purified from E. coli, and the purity assessed by Coomassie blue staining. (d) HIF-1 $\alpha$  is not phosphorylated by DAPK in vitro. Recombinant DAPK was incubated with GST-HIF-1 $\alpha$  or GST-MLC in kinase buffer containing [y- $^{32}$ P]ATP at 25°C for 15 min. The reaction mixtures were resolved by SDS-PAGE, and the phosphorylation of MLC (positive control) and HIF- $1\alpha$  examined by autoradiography. Data (a-d) are representative of two independent experiments.



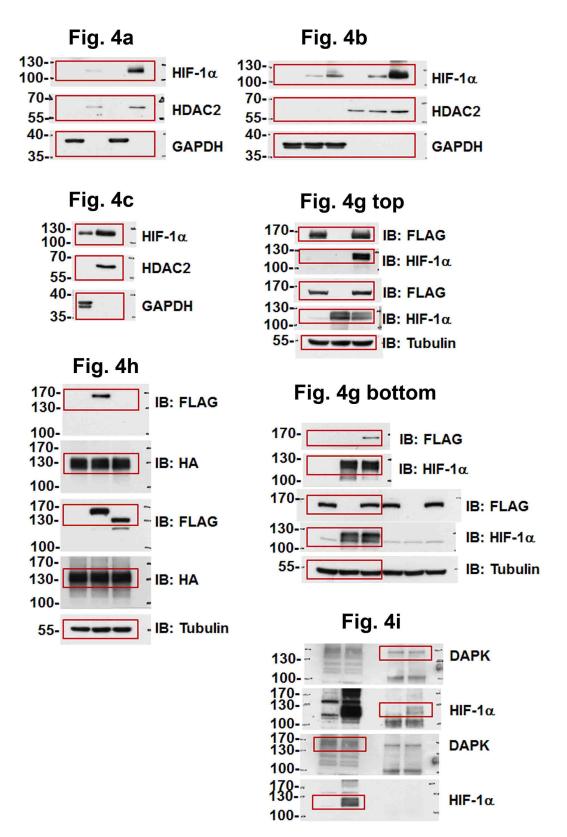
Supplementary Figure 10. Inhibition of PHD prevents DAPK-mediated HIF-1 $\alpha$  degradation. (a) Ubiquitin enhances DAPK-triggered HIF-1 $\alpha$  down-regulation. HEK-293T cells were transfected with DAPK-FLAG, HIF-1 $\alpha$  and HA-ubiquitin, and the levels of DAPK-FLAG and HIF-1 $\alpha$  were determined 48 h after transfection. (b) PHD inhibitor prevents DAPK-induced HIF-1 $\alpha$  degradation. HEK293T cells were transfected with DAPK and HIF-1 $\alpha$  and treated with or without deferoxamine mesylate (DFX, 100  $\mu$ M) 32 h after transfection. Cells were harvested 16 h after DFX addition, and the contents of HIF-1 $\alpha$  were determined. (c) Mutation of proline hydroxylation sites confers resistance of HIF-1 $\alpha$  to DAPK-induced degradation. HEK293T cells were transfected with DAPK-FLAG and HIF-1 $\alpha$ [P402A/P564A] (HIF-1 $\alpha$ -2PA), and the contents of HIF-1 $\alpha$  were determined 48 h after transfection. Data (a-c) are representative of three independent experiments.



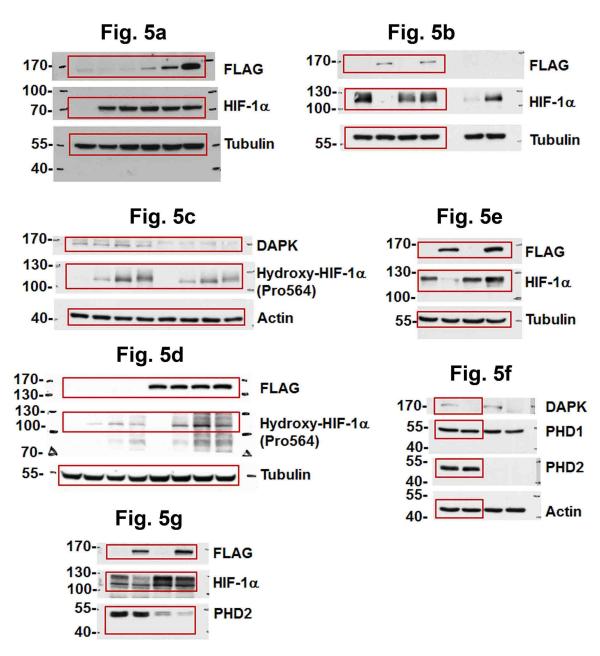
Supplementary Figure 11. Additional knockout of HIF-1α does not restore defects of  $Dapk^{-1}$  iTregs. (a) Normal Treg population in  $Dapk^{-1}$  Hifla mice. Lymph node and splenic T cells were isolated from WT,  $Dapk^{-1}$  or  $Dapk^{-1}$  Hifla mice, and the  $CD4^+Foxp3^+$  population was determined by flow cytometry. (b) Normal in vitro suppressive activity of  $Dapk^{-1}$  Hifla n Tregs. WT,  $Dapk^{-1}$  or  $Dapk^{-1}$  nTreg cells were isolated and co-cultured with irradiated WT presenting cells, indicated ratios of WT effector T cells and anti-CD3 for 72 hr before proliferation was determined. (c) HIF-1α-deficiency restores  $Dapk^{-1}$  iTreg differentiation. Purified  $CD4^+CD25^-$  T cells from WT,  $Dapk^{-1}$  and  $Dapk^{-1}$  mice were stimulated with anti-CD3/anti-CD28 in the presence of TGF-β and IL-2 for 5 days. The expression of Foxp3 was determined. (d) Impaired suppressive activity of  $Dapk^{-1}$  iTreg cells is not corrected by additional HIF-1α-knockout. The *in vitro* suppression activity of iTregs at day 5 (c) was analyzed. Values (b, d) are mean ± s.d., n=3. NS, not significant. Data (a-d) are representative of three independent experiments.



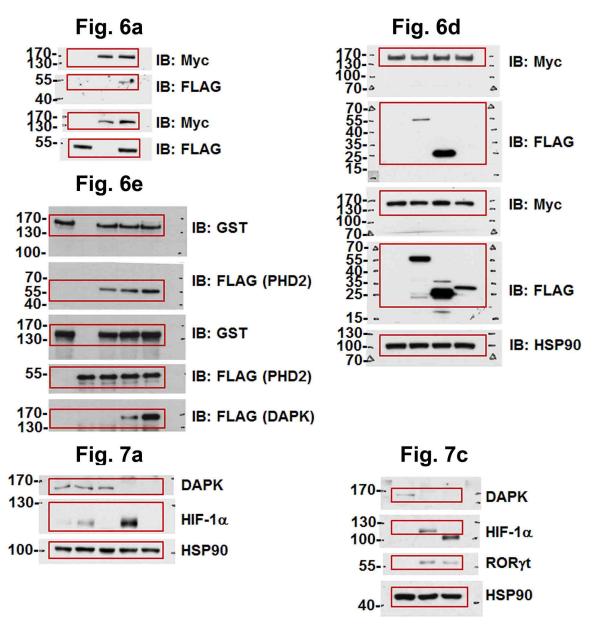
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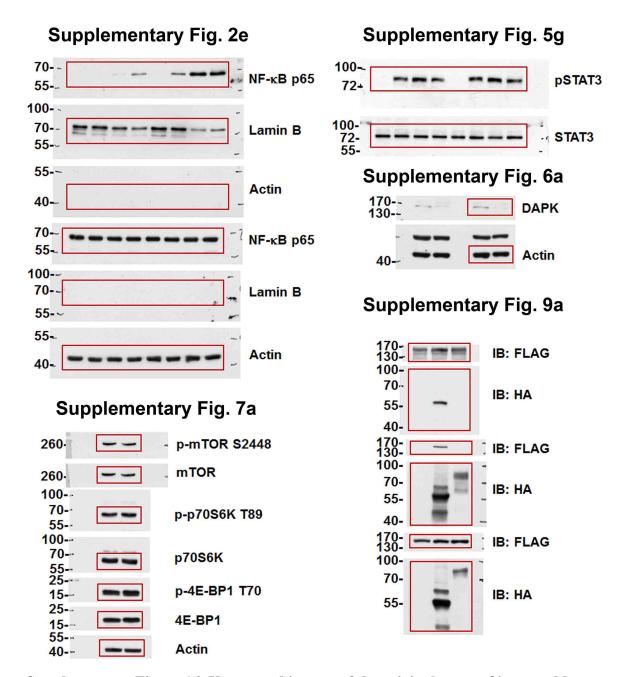
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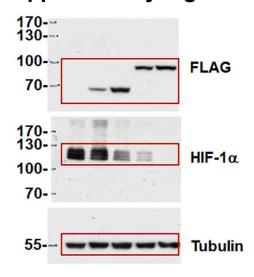


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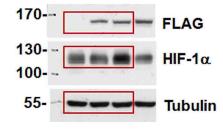
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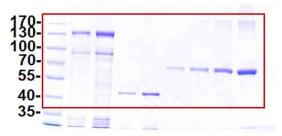
## Supplementary Fig. 10a



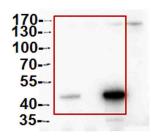
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# Supplementary Fig. 9d



#### Supplementary Fig. 10b



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